Sri C. K. RAJAIAH SETTY.—Are not the accounts audited for the year 1957? This question was put in the month of December and the answer is now supplied in the month of March. What is the reason for not having completed the audit of the accounts?

Mr. SPEAKER.—Are the accounts ready now?

Sri C. M. POONACHA.—Yes, for the year ending 1957 the accounts are ready.

Sri C. K. RAJAIAH SETTY.—May I know the loss?

Sri C. M. POONACHA.—The figures for the year ending 30th September 1957 are not available as yet.

Mr. SPEAKER.—What about 1956?

Sri C. M. POONACHA.—The profit is about Rs. 15 lakhs.

Sri J. B. MALLARADHYA.—In regard to the question of transfer of assets and liabilities, you have made provision of 17 lakhs under the current year's budget; what for is this meant?

Sri C. M. POONACHA.—That is for the developmental programmes and capital expenditure invested.

Special Conveyance to Traffic Police

Q.—2875. Sri K. S. SURYANARAYANA RAO (Mysore City South).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the special conveyances like cars, motor cycles provided to the traffic police;

(*b*) the category of officers for whom such vehicles are provided;

(*c*) the special considerations, if any, for providing this amenity to a traffic policeman of lower rank?

A.—Sri C. M. POONACHA (Minister for Home Affairs and Industries).—

(*a*) No special conveyances like cars, motor-cycles, etc., have been provided to the Traffic Police in general.

(*b*) Only one Traffic Head Constable in Mysore City is provided with a motor cycle.

(*c*) In view of the good work done by Traffic Head Constable, Sri Kuttappa, for checking overloaded buses, the motor cycle was ordered to be provided, to facilitate the discharge of his official duties more efficiently. Any other police officer deputed to attend to urgent work is also entitled to use it.

Sri K. S. SURYANARAYANA RAO.—In the answer to (*b*) it is said that only one Traffic Head-Constable in Mysore has been provided with a motor-cycle. Are there not equally competent or equally honest police officers elsewhere in the State other than this person?

*Sri C. M. POONACHA.—Sir, this facility for this Traffic Sergeant was extended some time in the year 1954. Subsequent to that the necessity was not felt. If it is absolutely necessary, action will be taken to provide necessary vehicle conveniences to other officers also.

Sri K. S. SURYANARAYANA RAO.—Sir, are there not other officers of similar rank or higher rank doing the job elsewhere in the Stase?

Sri C. M. POONACHA.—It is true Sir; there are other officers also doing the same kind of work. But, as per information I have, it was once said that there were too many accidents happening in this sector. In view of that, this officer was provided with a motor vehicle to exercise better vigilance and subsequently, my information is, accidents in this area have been very much minimised.

Sri K. S. SURYANARAYANA RAO.—What is the number of accidents that took place in that area as compared to Bangalore area?

Sri C. M. POONACHA.—I will have to get these details.

Sri K. S. SURYANARAYANA RAO.—Will the Minister consider the question of providing such amenity to Traffic Sergeants doing similar duties elsewhere in the State?

Sri C. M. POONACHA.—That is under consideration: but, finance is the only problem. We want to buy some motor cycles for Traffic Sergeants and the matter is still under consideration.

Sri C. K. RAJAIAH SETTY.—May I know under which Government Sri Kuttappa was employed before integration?

Sri C. M. POONACHA.—Sir, he was from the very beginning employed in Mysore State.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಹೆಚ್. ವೆಂಕಟರೆಡ್ಡಿ.—ಮಾನ್ಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ಹೆಡ್‌ಕಾನ್‌ಸ್ಟೇಬಲ್ಲಿನ ಹೆಸರು ಕೊಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಕಾರಣವೇನು ?

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಇದರಲ್ಲಿ defamation ಅಥವಾ insinuation ಇಲ್ಲ. ಒಳ್ಳೆಯ ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ನಾನು ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರುವ ಸೂಚನೆಯನ್ನು ಬೇರೆ ರೀತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅರ್ಥಮಾಡಿಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದೀರಿ. ಕಾರಣವೇನೂ ಕೊಡಬೇಕಾಗಿಲ್ಲ.

Sri T. SUBRAMANYA.—For how long this Traffic Head Constable in Mysore City is doing the same work ?

Sri C. M. POONACHA.—I have no specific information about that. He is there for a long time because the order passed relates to 1954. He must have been there some time previous to that.

Sri T. SUBRAMANYA.—Does not the ordinary rule of transfer apply to him, that is, transfer after three years?

Sri C. M. POONACHA.—Well, Sir, generally that rule does apply. But, it is not as if that everybody should be transferred. Certain situations may require the retention of a particular officer.

Sri T. SUBRAMANYA.—Is it the view of Government that Sri Kuttappa is retained there in public interest ?

Sri C. M. POONACHA.—Sir, it is certainly so.

Sri T. SUBRAMANYA,—Or in his own interest ?

Sri C. M. POONACHA.—It is an inference which my Hon'ble friend may draw for himself.

Sri G. VENKATAI GOWDA.—Is it not necessary to transfer such a good officer to other places also in view of his good service in Mysore City ?

Sri C. M. POONACHA.—Where his service is required there it will be utilised.

Sri V. SRINIVAS SHETTY.—Sir, you have given one motor-cycle to only one officer. Will it not create heart-burning and discontentment in the service generally and prevent other Head Constables and Constables from discharging their duties properly ? In view of this, will the Government pass a general order giving a motor vehicle to every Head Constable and Constable?

Sri C. M. POONACHA.—That is the intention. We want to provide the necessary equipment to these officers to enable them to discharge their work efficiently; the desire is there. But, other considerations also weigh with the Government. I said, the matter is under consideration.

Sri V. SRINIVAS SHETTY.—Is there no other Head Constable as competent as Sri Kuttappa ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—That question has been answered.

Sri K. S. SURYANARAYANA RAO.—Is it the information of the Government that this particular officer alone is suited for the job and none other ?

Sri C. M. POONACHA.—If I were to refer to the order of 1954, it means that.

Sri K. S. SURYANARAYANA RAO.—Will the Government consider the suggestion of providing motor cycles to the border police instead of giving them for use at the headquarters.

Sri C. M. POONACHA.—Border police as such, we have in Goa border region. In other places we do not have. Probably, the member refers to the frontier area; that question will be considered.

Expenditure incurred on State Banquet to King of Afghanistan

Q.—3470. Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA (Gubbi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the money spent for the State Banquet held in connection with the visit of the King of Afghanistan;

(*b*) who were all the invitees;

(*c*) the time and place at which the Banquet was held ?

A.— Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA (Chief Minister).—

(*a*) Rs. 791.10 nP.

(*b*) *Vide* list appended.

(*c*) At the Banquet Hall, Residency, at 8-30 P.M. on 21st February 1958.